

DIVISION I REPORT DECEMBER 2018 NCAA.org

The NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Committee is providing this information to outline key actions taken by the committee during the past year, as well as topics for future consideration. In addition, if you have any questions regarding this information, please contact a member of the committee or Ryan Tressel, NCAA director, championships and alliances (Phone: 317-917-6316 or Email: rtressel@ncaa.org).

Division I National Committee.

Joe Amplo, Marquette University Boo Corrigan, U.S. Military Academy Jack Hayes, Brown University, chair Tim Leonard, Towson University Richie Meade, Furman University

Regional Advisory Committees.

The regional advisory committee will consist of 10 members.

Joe Breschi, University of North Carolina Dan Chemotti, University of Richmond Andy Copelan, Fairfield University Mike Corrado, Villanova University Rick Sowell, U.S. Naval Academy Ed Stephenson, University of Mass. Lowell John Tillman, University of Maryland Keegan Wilkinson, Marist College Taylor Wray, Saint Joseph's University TBD, TBD

Men's Lacrosse Institutional Sponsorship.

	<u>14-15</u>	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>	<u>18-19</u>
DI	68	69	70	71	73
DII	59	66	66	70	71
DIII	223	231	234	242	246

Annual Meeting.

The Division I Men's Lacrosse Committee will meet July 29-30, 2019. If you have issues that you would like the committee to discuss, please forward them in writing to Ryan Tressel at the NCAA national office by **June 1**.

Regular Season and Conference Schedule.

The men's lacrosse committee strongly recommends that there be no regular season games played on Selection Sunday. The committee also strongly recommends that all conference tournaments be completed by Saturday of selection weekend. In the event a conference tournament game is contested on Sunday; it should not begin after 1 p.m.

Automatic Qualifying Conferences.

There are nine (9) eligible automatic-qualifying conferences for 2019: America East Conference, Big East Conference, Big Ten Conference, Colonial Athletic Association, The Ivy League, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Northeast Conference, The Patriot League and Southern Conference. However, only eight (8) conferences will receive automatic qualification for the 2018 championship. The two lowest ranked automatic qualifying teams as determined by the committee, regardless of the conference RPI, will compete in one Opening Round game to determine the final AQ spot in the bracket of 16.

Opening Round Game. The opening round game will be conducted after selections, on Wednesday, May 8, 2019. The competing teams will consist of the lowest ranked automatic qualification teams (regardless of conference RPI) based on committee selection. The NCAA will pay expenses for the opening round game, and all applicable statistics will be included in the NCAA postseason record books. Competing teams will be recognized in the championship and receive applicable programs any participation awards.

<u>Selection Criteria</u>. To be considered during the at-large selection process, a team must have an overall won-lost record of .500 or better against Division I opponents. Division I teams must play at least 10 games against Division I opponents.

- Eligibility and availability of studentathletes for NCAA championship
- Won-lost record
- Strength of schedule
- Results of the RPI
- Record against ranked teams 1-5; 6-10, 11-15; 16-20; 21+;
- average RPI win.
- average RPI loss.
- Head-to-head competition.
- Results versus common opponents.
- Significant wins and losses. (wins against teams ranked higher in the RPI and losses against teams ranked lower in the RPI)
- Location of contests.

Additionally, input is provided by a regional advisory committee for consideration by the Division I Men's Lacrosse committee. Coaches' polls and/or any other outside polls or rankings are not used as a selection criterion by the committee for selection purposes.

The top eight teams will be seeded and separated in the bracket. The remaining eight teams will be placed geographically to create the least number of flights, while also maintaining bracket integrity, and separating conference opponents during first-round competition.

FAQ about RPI. Review information on the lacrosse RPI.

<u>Committee Ranking</u>. The committee plans to release top 10 rankings again in 2019. There will be two rankings announced 3 weeks and 2 weeks prior to selections.

2019 Championship Dates and Sites.

Sunday, May 5

Selections

Wednesday, May 8

Opening round game – on campus

Saturday/Sunday, May 11/12

First round – on campus

Saturday, May 18

Quarterfinals

James M. Shuart Stadium; Hempstead, New York

Sunday, May 19

Quarterfinals

Rentschler Field; East Hartford, Connecticut

Thursday, May 23

Student-Athlete Banquet/Media Day Lincoln Financial Field Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Friday, May 24

Open Team Practices – Lincoln Financial Field

Saturday, May 25 (game times subject to change)

DI Men's Semifinal - TBD

DI Men's Semifinal - TBD

Sunday, May 26 (game times subject to change)

Division II Men's Championship – TBD

Division III Men's Championship - TBD

Monday, May 27 (game times subject to change)

Division I Men's Championship - TBD